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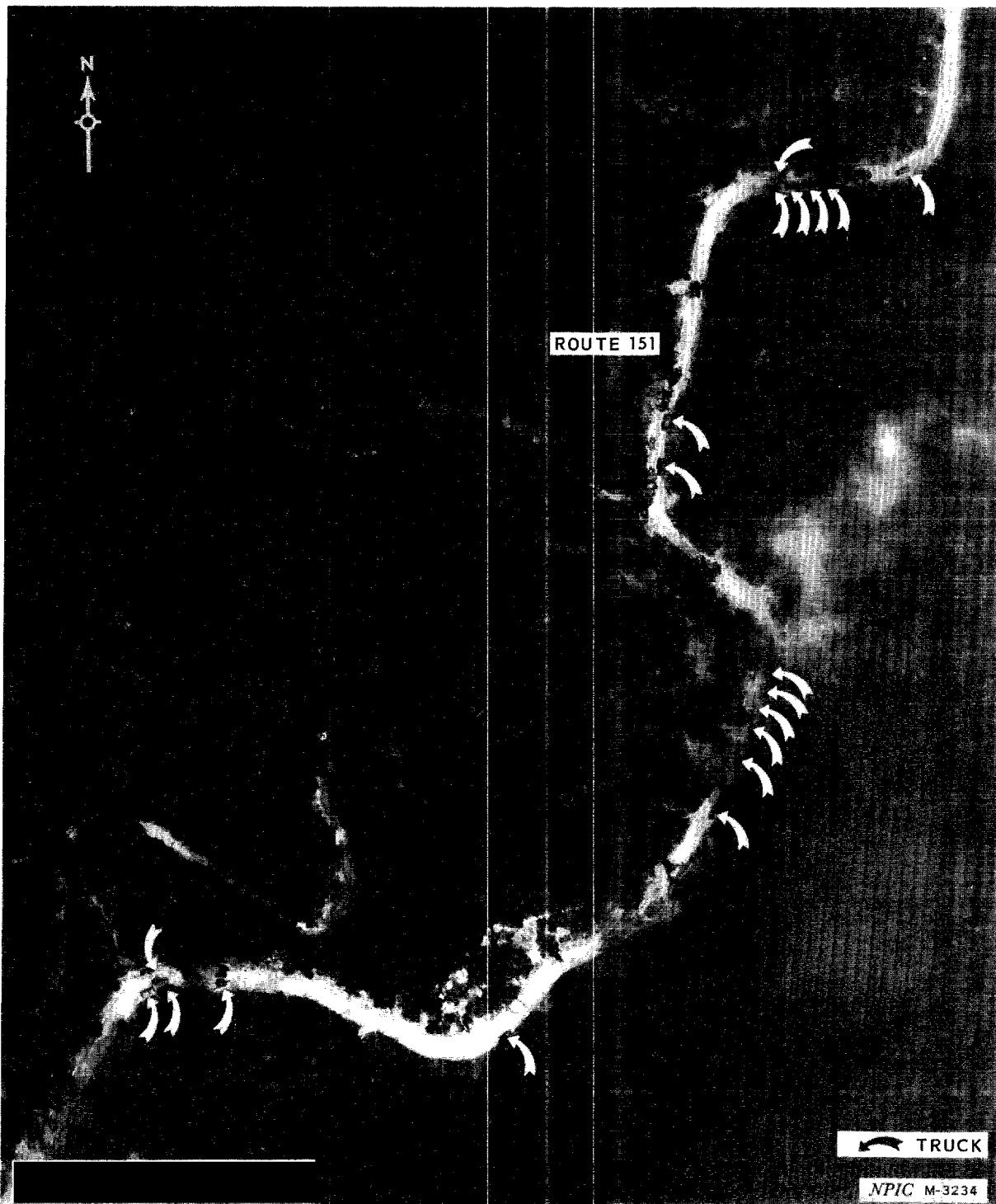
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Analysis of recent aerial photography reveals a significant increase of vehicular activity on the heavily-used supply Routes 15 and 151 from North Vietnam, through Laos, into South Vietnam. Trucks loaded with rocks and large numbers of coolie laborers observed to be repairing and maintaining Route 15 suggest an extensive effort is being made to keep this important route serviceable. The North Vietnamese willingness to continue large-scale resupply activity during daylight hours may indicate that the heavy southward movement of supplies to South Vietnam is intended to support enemy operations during any impending spring-summer campaign.

25X1D      Photography of [REDACTED] reveals approximately 65 POL tank/cargo trucks north of the Mu Gia Pass on Routes 15 and 151 in North Vietnam (Figure 1). Approximately 40 loaded trucks are observed heading south and additional trucks are travelling north or are in the numerous, well-hidden truck parks along the two routes. The traffic pattern indicates an intermittent flow of trucks travelling mainly in small, well-dispersed groups. Open storage of material and open POL drum storage is apparent along Route 151 (Figure 2). The fact that this storage is open rather than concealed, as it is normally, indicates a greater quantity and more rapid movement of supplies into South Vietnam.

A newly identified open-wire telecommunications trace, generally paralleling Route 151 (Figure 2), is another indication of the importance recently placed on the movement of supplies to the south.

25X1D      Reports of a daily average of 47 trucks moving north and south during the period between [REDACTED] indicate an increase of nearly 100 percent above the previously reported figures for [REDACTED] 25X1D



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FIGURE 1. TRUCKS 3.5 NM NORTH OF BAI DUC THON, NORTH VIETNAM, AT 18-06-105-52

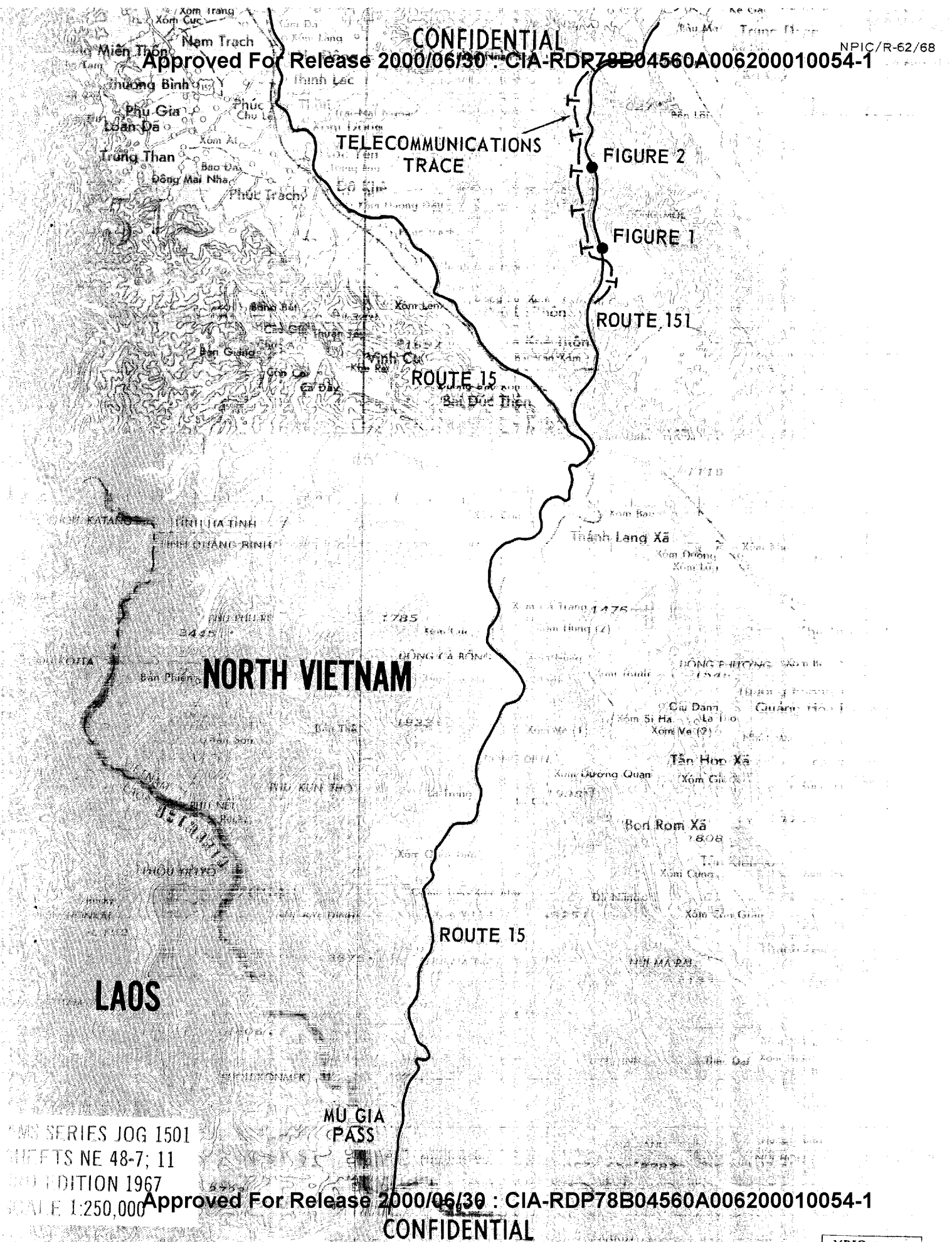
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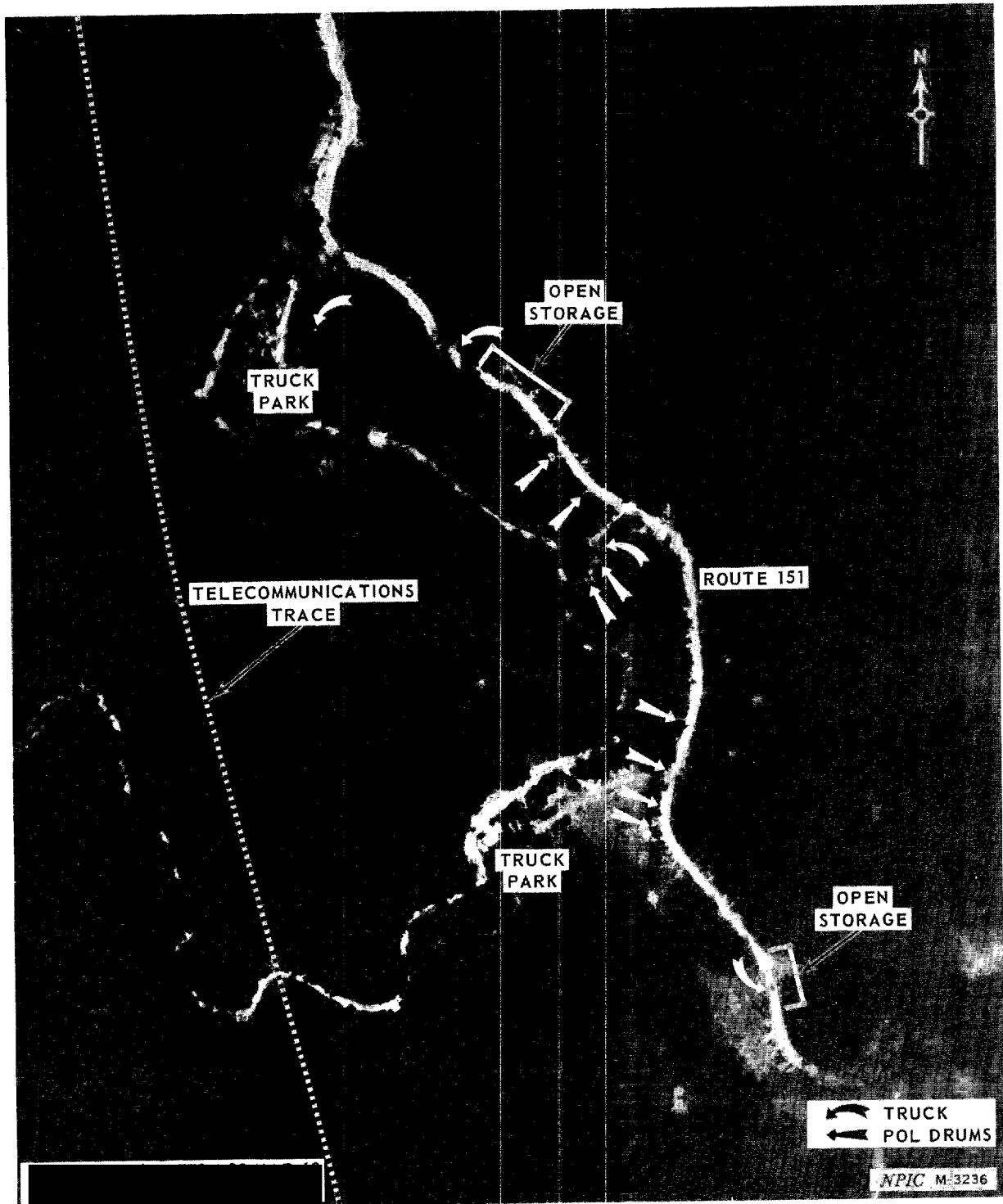


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FIGURE 2. TRUCK PARKS, OPEN STORAGE AREAS, AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS TRACE ALONG  
ROUTE 151 AT 18-09-105-51



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